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- (1) Cost-reimbursement, time-and-materials, or labor-hour subcontracts; and
- (2) Fixed-price subcontracts that exceed—
- (i) For the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the greater of the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract; or
- (ii) For civilian agencies other than the Coast Guard and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, either the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract.
- (c) Consent may be required for subcontracts under prime contracts for architect-engineer services.
- (d) The contracting officer's written authorization for the contractor to purchase from Government sources (see part 51) constitutes consent.

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44.201-2 Advance notification requirements.

Under cost-reimbursement contracts, the contractor is required by statute to notify the contracting officer as follows:

- (a) For the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, unless the contractor maintains an approved purchasing system, 10 U.S.C. 2306 requires notification before the award of any cost-plus-fixed-fee subcontract, or any fixed-price subcontract that exceeds the greater of the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract.
- (b) For civilian agencies other than the Coast Guard and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, even if the contractor has an approved purchasing system, 41 U.S.C. 254(b) requires notification before the award of any cost-plus-fixed-fee subcontract, or any fixed-price subcontract that exceeds either the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract.

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44.202 Contracting officer's evaluation.

44.202-1 Responsibilities.

- (a) The cognizant administrative contracting officer (ACO) is responsible for consent to subcontracts, except when the contracting officer retains the contract for administration or withholds the consent responsibility from delegation to the ACO. In such cases, the contract administration office should assist the contracting office in its evaluation as requested.
- (b) The contracting officer responsible for consent shall review the contractor's notification and supporting data to ensure that the proposed subcontract is appropriate for the risks involved and consistent with current policy and sound business judgment.
- (c) Designation of specific subcontractors during contract negotiations does not in itself satisfy the requirements for advance notification or consent pursuant to the clause at 52.244-2. However, if, in the opinion of the contracting officer, the advance notification or consent requirements were satisfied for certain subcontracts evaluated during negotiations, the contracting officer shall identify those subcontracts in paragraph (j) of the clause at 52.244-2.

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44.202-2 Considerations.

- (a) The contracting officer responsible for consent must, at a minimum, review the request and supporting data and consider the following:
- (1) Is the decision to subcontract consistent with the contractor's approved make-or-buy program, if any (see 15.407-2)?
- (2) Is the subcontract for special test equipment, equipment or real property that are available from Government sources?
- (3) Is the selection of the particular supplies, equipment, or services technically justified?
- (4) Has the contractor complied with the prime contract requirements regarding—